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Our Aim and Object.

In a Diocese, as in a Parish, if there is to be *esprit de corps* and enthusiasm, there must, as a first condition, be a constant circulation of information. For, if we do not hear, we cannot be interested, whereas if we are able to read what is being done by our neighbours, we are very likely to wish to adopt those things, which approve themselves to our judgement, and to try to do like things or better things ourselves.

This, then, is one among many reasons, that have actuated us in starting the *Quebec Diocesan Gazette*, in which we hope to give, month by month, not only accounts of the Bishop's movements, but also slight sketches of all that is interesting in every part of the Diocese. And we believe that the circulation of this information will do much towards promoting Church life by helping our people to realize their corporate existence. They will see, in fact, that they are not merely members of a Congregation or of a Parish, but of a Diocese consisting of thousands of loyal hearted children of the Church, depending, in common with all other Dioceses, upon the one Divine Head for happy life and healthful growth.

Most earnestly therefore we ask all our first readers to consider whether there is not some news of general interest that they can send—and whether they cannot lead some of their neighbours to take our *Gazette* monthly through their clergyman. All our subscribers have to do is to tell their Clergyman they wish to take the *Gazette* and to pay either 25 cents for the whole year or 2 cents each month.

All communications in the way of news, and all money collected by the Clergy and others for copies of the *Gazette*, should be forwarded to the Honorary Editor; the Rev. R. A. PARROCK, B.A., Bishopsthorpe, Quebec.

The Lord Bishop's Engagements

Tuesday, Jan. 16.—Missionary Meeting for the English Church people of Quebec city, in the Cathedral Church Hall, to welcome the Lord Bishop of Athabasca.

Wednesday, Jan. 17.—Journey to Ottawa to help forward the proceedings of the S. Andrew's Brotherhood Convention. Engagements every day from Thursday to Sunday inclusive.

Monday, Jan. 22.—Return from Ottawa to Richmond to attend Bishop of Athabasca's meeting in the evening.

Tuesday, Jan. 23.—Dedication of the new Church at North Hatley. Bishop of Athabasca's meeting at Sherbrooke in the evening.

Wednesday, Jan. 24.—Quiet Day at Bishop's College, Lennoxville. Subject: "The needs of the Spiritual Life." Bishop of Athabasca's meeting in the evening in the Bishop Williams' Hall, for Bishop's College University and School, and for the Parish of Lennoxville.

Thursday, Jan. 25.—Visit to the new Mission of Hereford and Service at Averill.

Friday, Jan. 26.—Consecration of the new Church at Hall's Stream.

Saturday, Jan. 27.—Services at Hereford.

Sunday, Jan. 28.—Confirmation, Holy Communion and other Services at Hall's Stream and Hereford.

Monday, Jan. 29.—Return to Quebec.

N. B.—In addition to the above the Lord Bishop of Athabaska will address meetings at S. Michael's Bergerville School-House on Wednesday evening, Jan. 17, and at Levis on Thursday evening, Jan. 18.

Church Society.

CENTRAL BOARD.

At a meeting of the Central Board, held on the 19th of December, the following grants were made, viz : thirty dollars towards a new School opened at Forrest Lake, in the mission of Nicolet, for one year, commencing January 1st, 1894, at the request of the Rev. T. L. Ball :

One hundred dollars towards the purchase of a Parsonage House, at Melbourne, at the request of the Rev. James Hepburn ;

And one hundred dollars towards a new Church, at North Hatley, at the request of the Rev. E. A. W. King.

DIOCESAN BOARD.

At a meeting of the Board, held at the Cathedral Church Hall, on November 29th, a committee appointed at a previous meeting to take into consideration the reports received from the Archdeacon, as General Missionary Agent, on the assessments of Missions whose agreements expire on 31st December, as well as the correspondence with the Clergy and Church-Wardens on the subject, made their report as to each separate congregation, recommending such increase of assessment, as the circumstances seemed to justify.

This report, based upon the necessity of augmenting the resources of the Diocesan Board, owing to the speedy withdrawal of the S. P. G. Grant and the claims presented by new fields of missionary work, was considered clause by clause, and, after careful study, adopted.

At the meeting on the 20th December, the Board was again occupied in considering the correspondence with the Archdeacon and the authorities of the various Missions to be re-assessed, and arriving at an ultimate decision in each case, when the proposals of the Board, in the first instance, had been objected to.

Additional business transacted, was as follows :

(1) The announcement by the Lord Bishop of the resignation, by the Revd. G. J. Sutherland, of the Mission of St. Sylvester, and the nomination of the Revd. Th. Rudd, as his successor, which the Board concurred in.

(2) The approval of a proposed change in the boundaries of the Missions of Leeds, St. Sylvester and Frampton, with a view to greater efficiency in working them.

(3) The union with the Board of a new Congregation, Eaton Corner, in the Parish of Eaton.

It is gratifying to be able to announce, through the columns of the *Diocesan Gazette*, that the Venerable Archdeacon Roe is meeting with no small measure of success in his conferences with the various congregations. He has completed his canvass of the Missions in the Districts of Gaspé, St. Francis and Megantic, and is about to visit those on the North Shore. Although it is too early to announce, even approximately, the amount of increase, the indications are not wanting that a sufficiently large addition to the contributions of the people will be made to justify the Board in the hope that its work will suffer no curtailment.

Quebec Cathedral.

With the hearty concurrence of the Select Vestry, new Choir Stalls have been erected in the Cathedral at the Bishop's expense, and the Cathedral Choir now sits in the Body of the Church instead of in the Gallery. It is hoped that this change will do much in the way of adding heartiness to the Services.

There is now daily Cathedral Service in All Saints' Chapel within the Cathedral Precincts, at 9.30 a.m. and at 5 p.m. All who wish to serve God are earnestly invited to come at any rate occasionally to these daily Services and so to help in maintaining the stream of Intercession and Thanks, giving and Praise, which it is one great object of Cathedral life to encourage and uphold.

Preachers during the month of January.

- Jan'y 7th, 11 a.m.—Rev. Canon Von Iffland.
7 p.m.—The Lord Bishop.
Jan'y 14th, 11 a.m.—The Lord Bishop.
7 p.m.—The Very Reverend the Dean.
Jan'y 21st, 11 a.m.—The Lord Bishop of Athabaska.
7 p.m.—The Very Reverend the Dean.
Jan'y 28th, 11 a.m.—The Very Reverend the Dean.
7 p.m.—The Rev. H. J. Petry.

N.B. The Sunday Evening Services are now fully Choral.

PERSONAL.—Rev. L. V. Larivière, who for several years past has been in charge of the Col. and Cont. Church Society's Mission (French) in the city of Quebec, left on January 1st to take up his residence in Florida, having obtained leave of absence for 12 months from the Lord Bishop.

Have you thought of Lennoxville ?

For nearly fifty years young men have been passing into and out of Lennoxville. Here the Diocese of Quebec educates her children and specially prepares those who are called to serve our Lord as the Shepherds of His Flock. To the life at Lennoxville of these last the writer would draw attention. Let us try to trace the steps of one whom the Spirit has influenced to give himself up to the five years of training required to be undergone by Candidates for Holy Orders. He will need, to begin with, to apply himself to the study of those subjects which he is expected to have some acquaintance with before he can enter on his course at Bishop's College, this he can either do at home or by taking what is called "the preparatory year" at Bishop's College itself. When he is ready, he will become a matriculated student and will attend the regular lectures in the subjects required for a degree, and it is probably in the first year, if not in the first few months of his residence in College that he will form those habits which will contribute largely to his success or failure in after life. When he enters the College doors he sees directly opposite him the Library door, and above him he hears the tramp of many feet and the sound of merry voices, and the value of his life to the Church will largely depend henceforth on his finding the true proportion between work and play. Supposing him to find this proportion we may predict for him five happy and profitable years. His character will expand and deepen under the influence of living men, and of the great departed, who, being dead, yet speak; he will make new friends among his fellow students and love them none the less because in Lecture Room and Play-ground they are his rivals: again he will begin to see friendly faces looking at him from old books and inviting him surely not without success, to take some interest in them and in the truths they teach. Thus three years will pass by, time hardly ever hanging heavily on our student's hands, and the daily round of his regular life—breakfast, Chapel, Lectures, Dinner, Afternoon Lecture, Chapel, Private Study—will never be monotonous. And in due course the day will come when he will be entitled to wear, we hope with honour, his Bachelor's hood. But during these first three years he will learn that he may be useful by doing other work than that needed for his degree, he will find that the

Church is sorely in need of men to give their services to her people, owing to the wide area which each of her Clergy has to cover single handed. Our Student will long to give help in this field, and being found diligent in his studies will, in his second or third year, be admitted to the College Brotherhood of Lay Readers, and under the sanction of the Bishop will help any Clergyman who stands in need of such assistance. And now, although perhaps still residing in the College, the Student is, as a Reader, under the direction of the Professor of Pastoral Theology, and attends the fortnightly meetings for Prayer and Reading of the Scriptures known as the Brotherhood meetings; he is also henceforth allowed to take his turn in reading the Lessons in Chapel, and at the close of his third year, and in some cases before, he passes from the College to the Divinity House, and begins to lead a life of more strict preparation for the Holy Profession he has in view. From the time when he enters the Divinity House he had to attend Prayers in that House at 7.45 a.m., 12.50 p.m. and 10 p.m. in addition to the Chapel Services, whilst every Wednesday and Friday evening addresses are given at the 10 o'clock Service. It might be thought by one unaccustomed to so many stated hours of Prayer, that they would be found irksome and might become formal and so worse than useless. On the contrary, they are a great relief, and by keeping us continually reminded of the Presence of God, they point to the end of all work and so keep us on the one hand from idleness, and on the other from a too engrossing interest in our books. Two years are thus spent in Theological Study, and then the Student may be examined by the Bishop, who, if he deems him satisfactory and well fitted for the Holy Office, proceeds to ordain him a Deacon in the Church of God.

It will be seen from the above sketch of a life at Lennoxville how gradual is the preparation of a student from the time when he receives his first call to work in the Lord's Vineyard to the time when, Holy Orders being conferred on him, he is enabled to go about his Father's business in his Father's strength. May some of our readers be led to turn this matter over in their minds and to consider whether it is not in their power either themselves to go, or to send others to Lennoxville to be trained for the service of Almighty God.

There is not a home in our Province of Quebec, which should not take an interest in this great matter. There is not a home in this Province which should grudge

giving its very best member to this work—for the work is the highest that man can be called upon to do, and, though necessarily also the most responsible, yet we dare not on that account shrink from it ourselves, or faithlessly withhold from it our dearest and our best.

“For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall much be required,” and it is put into men’s power to be “Labourers together with God.”

Bishop’s College Chapel.

Much remains to be done to complete the interior of the Chapel. The roof is complete, but the ornamental flooring has still to be added, the stalls to be erected, and other wood-work to be done. About \$1,400 is still required for these necessary purposes. The Bishop’s sermons in England last Spring realized about \$200 towards this. The windows at present in use are single and of ordinary glass, and will prove to be temporary, as the wood-work in them will not suit the stained-glass windows. Five windows have already been promised, viz:—By the Bishop, The Parish of Lennoxville, The Nicolls family, The Chancellor (Dr. Heneker), and Rev. Dr. Mountain. It is expected that each window will cost about \$150.

The scheme of subjects, as recently adopted by the College Committee, is as follows:

A—WEST WINDOW.

Triple light.

- (a). Moses setting apart Paschal Bread.
- (b). Moses lifting up the serpent.
- (c). Entrance into the promised land under Joshua.

B—NORTH SIDE OF CHOIR.

Six Windows, double lights reckoning from the west.

- 1 (a). Christ’s birth announced by the Angel Gabriel.
- (b). Christ in the Holy Manger.
- 2 (a). Christ worshipped by the Magi.
- (b). Christ among the Doctors.
- 3 (a). Christ baptized by St. John.
- (b). Christ setting apart the Twelve.
- 4 (a). Christ’s first Parable.
- (b). Christ forgiving sins—Healing the Paralytic.
- 5 (a). Christ feeding the Multitude.
- (b). Christ’s Transfiguration.
- 6 (a). Christ blessing little children.
- (b). Christ raising Lazarus.

C—FIVE WINDOWS IN CHANCEL APSE—

One Triple—Four Double.

(1 and 2 North Side.)

- 1 (a). Christ’s Triumphant Entry.
 - (b). Christ cleansing the Temple.
 - 2 (a). Christ ordaining Holy Mysteries.
 - (b). Christ in His agony.
 - (EAST WINDOW)
 - 3 (a). Christ condemned.
 - (b). Christ crucified.
 - (c). Christ risen.
 - (4 and 5 South Side).
 - 4 (a). Christ ascended.
 - (b). Christ sending forth the Comforter.
 - 5 (a). St. Stephen stoned.
 - (b). St. Paul’s faith.
- #### D—THREE WINDOWS—
- One single—Two double lights on south side of choir.
- 1 (a). St. Mark, Bishop of Alexandria.
 - 2 (a). St. Alban, the Martyr.
 - (b). St. Athanasius at Nicæa.
 - 3 (a). St. Aidan preaching.
 - (b). St. Augustine before Ethelbert of Kent.

OBITUARY.

GEORGE ATKINSON.

The mission of Durham has sustained a great loss in the death of Mr. George Atkinson, who entered into rest December 5th. His life in Canada has been, from the first, one of devotion to the Church of St. Paul’s L’Avenir, of which he was a member, and his influence, as a hearty and intelligent Churchman, was widely felt. He was present at the erection of the old Church, which was taken down in the spring of last year; he laid the foundation of the new Church, and his earnest desire to see the completion of that, for which he laboured and prayed, was granted. The present success and the freedom of the Church from debt was largely due to his earnest endeavour, although of course the work was admirably and enthusiastically taken up by the entire congregation. Such was his influence among his fellow churchmen, that the work of the last year of his life will live in the hearts and lives of others for some time to come. The funeral, which took place at L’Avenir, on Thursday, December 7th, 1893, was attended by a great number of French as well as English people: the officiating clergy were the Incumbent, Rev. D. Horner, Rev. D. H. Robertson and Rev. L. C. Wurtele.

REV. E. C. PARKIN.

It is with deep regret we have to record the death of one of the oldest clergymen of this Diocese: the Rev. Edward Cullen Parkin, who died on the 21st instant, St. Thomas's day, at his son's residence, in the Village of Waterville, in the County of Compton.

The son of an old Quebec Missionary, Mr. Parkin was ordained Deacon in the year 1844, and Priest in the year 1845, by Bishop G. J. Mountain, and after serving for a short time at St. Paul's Church or the Mariners' Chapel in this City, was appointed in 1845, to the Mission of Valcartier, where he remained till the autumn of 1864, when he moved to the Parish of Cookshire. Here he remained till 1881. While here he was the means of building the present handsome stone Church of St. Peter's, in the Village of Cookshire, one of the most sightly ecclesiastical buildings in the Eastern Townships; and, during nearly the whole of this period, Mr. Parkin acted as the Hon. Secretary of St. Francis District Association of the Church Society of this Diocese. From 1881 till 1890, Mr. Parkin was Rector of Nicolet, when he ceased from active work, and was placed on the Pension Fund of this Diocese. A good churchman, a faithful and true friend, Mr. Parkin's loss will be severely felt by all who had the privilege of knowing him, and his son and daughter, and also his brother, Mr. C. W. Parkin, of St. Francis College, Richmond, have our kind sympathy in their sore bereavement.

HARRIET MARY NICOLL.

On Christmas Day, there passed away at her residence, at Lennoxville, one who from childhood was intimately associated with the fortunes of the Diocese of Quebec. Harriet Mary Nicolls was daughter of the late Right Rev. George Jehoshaphat Mountain, D.D., Lord Bishop of Quebec, and widow of the late Rev. Jasper R. Nicolls, D.D., Principal of Bishop's College, Lennoxville. How much the Diocese owes to the Mountain and Nicolls families, it would be hard to estimate. The funeral took place at St. Michael's Church, Bergeville, erected by her brother, the Rev. Armine Mountain, and was attended by her sons, the Rev. G. G. Nicolls, of Rivière du Loup, and Armine Nicolls, Esq., Bursar of Bishop's College, who, with all near relations, have our most respectful sympathy.

DISTRICT NEWS.

ST. MICHAEL'S, BERGVERVILLE.

The Bishop of the Diocese has recently paid two visits to this Parish, but on both occasions the war of elements, a rain storm in the first instance and a snow storm in the second, prevented many from reaping the advantage they might otherwise have done.

On the 28th Nov., at the request of the Parochial branch of the W. A., his Lordship delivered a most interesting and spirited lecture on Home Missions, choosing as his subject the work which he had himself carried on at South Acton. The topic was most graphically illustrated by dissolving views, which vividly portrayed the many scenes of interest connected with his labours, and enabled the audience to trace the successive steps in the formation of the district from small beginnings till its consolidation into a completely organized Parish, with its numerous agencies for various good works in full and successful operation.

A vote of thanks to the Bishop, for his most interesting lecture and his kindness in coming over to address the meeting in such bad weather, was moved by Mr. John Burstall and seconded by Col. Forsythe.

On the first Sunday in Advent, the annual service of Intercession was said at the eleven o'clock service, when the Bishop preached. His references to the special teaching of Advent in its connection with missions and his masterly defence of the work of missions and the real success which had attended them as shown by the unqualified testimony of laymen, whose high position and long experience coupled with exceptional opportunities of observation, rendered such testimony invaluable, were listened to with deep attention. The manifest duty of taking an active interest in the spread of Christ's kingdom and the necessity of communicating information about missions as a chief means of evoking that interest, were impressed upon both pastor and congregation. We trust the suggestion will not be lost upon either, and that each in his way will endeavour to promote a keener sense of the duty incumbent upon us all.

DEANERY OF ST. FRANCIS.

Church Society and Deanery Board.

The usual anniversary was held in Sherbrooke on Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 5th and 6th. On Tuesday, 5th, at 2.30,

there was meeting of the Church Society open to all. Reports of work in all the parishes and missions of the district were laid on the table and read by the incumbents who had prepared them. The general tone was one of thankful success, general increase in the number confirmed, in the offerings, and in the percentage of offerings for extraparochial objects. Twenty-three clergy were present, including the Bishop and Archdeacon of Quebec. Canon Thorneloe (secretary) was authorized to prepare a digest of the reports for presentation at the Missionary Meeting of Wednesday night. At 8 p.m. there was choral Evensong in St. Peter's Church, with a sermon by the Rev. W. T. Forsythe, of Stanstead, from the text: "In due time we shall reap if we faint not." The sermon dealt very forcibly and frankly with many of the actual difficulties of the work of the Church in the townships, and showed how full the past was of encouragement and ground for hope. *Deanery Board.*—On Wednesday there was a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 8.15 a.m., Celebrant, the Bishop; assisted by Canon Thorneloe, the Rev. W. T. Forsythe and the Rev. R. A. Parrock. At 10 o'clock the Deanery Board began its session. Dr. Adams was elected secretary. The following Programme was then discussed. Report of Lay Helpers' Association—R. W. Heneker, D.C.L., Rev. Canon Thorneloe, M.A. Report of Church Extension in the District—Ven Archdeacon Roe, D.D. A very encouraging report. The missions of Cookshire and Waterville having shown a tendency to expand beyond the power of the incumbents of those missions, it was suggested that a Bishop's College Mission be formed with an eastern division for the Faculty of Divinity, and a western division for the Faculty of Arts. This proposal received much consideration during the day and is likely to be carried out shortly. Report on Progress of Church Education in the District. Principal Adams read a short paper on the Functions and Scope and Prospects of Church Universities as contrasted with Undenominational Universities, urging that the Anglican Communion, if thoroughly roused, could equip first class Universities which should compete with any others. This however could only be done by a liberality proportional to that shown by the friends and supporters of secular education. A brief report was given of the work of the College and School during the year, and was satisfactory and encouraging. Canon Thorneloe pressed upon the board the cause of girls' education,

under Church influences, and asked for greater support for Compton College, which was reported to be doing a good work. Under the heading "The Church and the Young," Mr. H. D. Lawrence, of Sherbrooke, and Mr. H. A. Elkins of Sherbrooke read interesting and suggestive papers. Mr. Lrice, of Sherbrooke, read a very thoughtful paper on "How to draw people to Church." Mr. Dorey made a most scholarly, suggestive and encouraging report, first discussing Church music as a handmaid of devotion and as an art, and then speaking of the progress made by choirs and of the holding of united services at Lennoxville, Cookshire and other points. It was arranged to hold Sunday School Conferences during 1894 at Cookshire, Danville and Stanstead. Canon Thorneloe read the report of the Colporteur Fund and Depositary. Every subject brought forward was discussed with interest, and the Bishop as well as Archdeacon Roe took an important part in the deliberations, which were characterized by an earnest and enthusiastic spirit.

The same evening, Dec. 6th, at 8 o'clock, the Missionary Meeting was held in the Church Hall under the presidency of the Bishop. Canon Thorneloe read a true and suggestive summary of the reports of the work of the district, which comprises the efforts of nearly thirty clergy or nearly half of the diocese of Quebec.

The approximate sum raised for the year is \$27,293.29, being \$1,484.01 more than last year.

There were two addresses. The first speaker, Rev. E. A. W. King, of Waterville, in a brief but telling address, made a strong plea for God's ancient people, the Jews.

The speaker of the evening was the Lord Bishop of Quebec, who in his own bright, genial, graphic style, told with many an illustrative anecdote and incident the wonderful story of his work in South Acton, now a part of London. For nearly an hour the Bishop held the closest attention of his audience, impressing upon them, not merely the greatness of the work that has been done under God through his instrumentality, but the nature of the Church's agencies through which such a work could be accomplished.

It was a most successful and uplifting meeting, and a fitting close to an anniversary of unusual interest.

The offerings were given as usual to the Missionary Diocese of Algoma.

BARFORD.

The Bishop's visit to this Mission, on Dec. 8th, was helpful to the Incumbent in many ways, and was hailed with delight by all. His Lordship arrived at Norton Mills at 12.45 P.M.; visited about twelve families during the afternoon, and preached to a good congregation in St. Paul's Church, Stanhope, at 7.30 P.M. Friday night was spent at Dixville, and the greater part of Saturday was taken up in visiting. Saturday evening found his Lordship at Mr. Perry's, Perryboro', where several members of the congregation assembled to meet their chief Pastor. Sunday's work began with a Celebration of the Holy Communion and a sermon in the Church of the Adver' at 7.30 A.M. There were upwards of forty present, about thirty of whom communicated. The Service seemed to carry one back to Apostolic times, when the primitive Christians used to assemble early in the morning on the first day of the week for "the breaking of the bread." A drive of ten miles and Dixville, the headquarters of the Mission, was reached just in time for the 11 o'clock service in St. Luther's Church. At this service one adult was baptized, six were confirmed, and there was a good attendance at the Holy Table. The Bishop's plain, earnest and practical address to the candidates before and after Confirmation clearly set forth the Scriptural authority for the rite, as well as the fact that from Apostolic times Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Communion have not only been in use in the Christian Church, but have been reckoned among the essentials. The Church was packed and the addresses were listened to with rapt attention. At 4 P.M. three candidates were confirmed at St. Paul's Church, Stanhope; and to describe the addresses and congregation would simply be to repeat what has just been mentioned. His Lordship returned to Dixville for the Evening Service, and preached a most plain and forcible sermon on the Holy Communion. Thus was brought to a close a day long to be remembered in the history of the Mission, and it is to be hoped that the good seed sown will bring forth much fruit to the honour and glory of God. On Monday morning, after having visited the village school, the good Bishop took the train for Danville.

His Lordship expressed himself as being highly pleased with everything in the Mission, except that he thought the Parsonage ought to have a furnace, which want he hoped would be supplied before another winter.—*Church Guardian*.

DANVILLE.

On Monday, December 11th, the Bishop visited Danville for the third time within a year. His last visit was on the occasion of the Jubilee Service held in October.

On the afternoon of his arrival, Mr. Wayman, the Reader, drove his Lordship to Kingsey Falls, where, after making several sick calls, he confirmed four candidates. There was a very large and attentive congregation. Mr. Wayman, acting as chaplain, carried the Bishop's pastoral staff. The same evening his Lordship returned to Danville. This was the first Confirmation ever held at the Falls.

Early next morning the Bishop proceeded with the Incumbent to Lorne, where at 9.30 an interesting and instructive Service was held in the Church of the Epiphany, when one young man was baptised and two candidates confirmed. The Bishop next proceeded with Mr. Wayman to the Slate Quarries and Asbestos. At the former place the Bishop addressed a gathering of the men employed in the works. At Asbestos his Lordship preached in the school-house to a large gathering. Miss Church, a Presbyterian, kindly presided at the organ, and the service was earnest and enjoyable. Returning to the Village of Danville, a Confirmation Service was held in St. Augustine Church at 7 P.M. Six candidates were presented by the Incumbent to his Lordship for the laying on of hands. After silent prayer, and the delivery of a plain and instructive address on the nature of this Holy rite and the spiritual blessings which flow from it to the faithful, they were confirmed. A second address was then delivered to the congregation at large, and the service brought to a close, the blessing being given by the Bishop.

On Wednesday morning his Lordship visited Troutbrook and preached an eloquent sermon. The Church was crowded, and the congregation joined in the Service with much spirit. Returning to Danville in the afternoon, his Lordship left by the 3.45 train for Leeds.

During this brief visit, his Lordship visited and preached at all six stations, and in doing so, drove 54 miles.

LEEDS.

The Ven. Archdeacon Roe visited this Mission on December 10, and preached three times during the day, at St. James', Leeds village, 10.30 A.M., at St. Mark's, Kinnear's Mills, 2.30 P.M., and at Beattie's Settlement's new church, 6.30 P.M. He address-

ed the different congregations on behalf of the "Diocesan Board," and in a plain and straightforward way, impressed upon them the necessity of increasing their assessment so as to make up the deficiency caused by the surrender of the S. P. G. grants. It is to be regretted that there was no opportunity of announcing the Archdeacon's visit beforehand, as in that case the congregations would no doubt have been considerably larger. On December 14, the Lord Bishop visited the church of St. Luke's, Broughton, an isolated mission in the midst of a French settlement; two candidates were presented for Confirmation, and the Holy Communion was afterwards administered. Immediately after this service, the Bishop and Rev. J. Rothera started for Leeds, a drive of 20 miles over bad roads, and reached St. John's Church about 8 P.M. Here a well attended Missionary Meeting was held, when his Lordship gave an interesting account of his work at South Acton, which was listened to with the greatest interest and attention. On Friday, December 15, the Bishop visited Beattie's Settlement, and consecrated a small Church, which has been recently erected there. His Lordship was assisted in the Service by the Rev. J. Rothera and the Rev. J. Kemp. Holy Baptism was administered to one adult, and seven candidates were presented for Confirmation. The Holy Communion was subsequently administered, when 30 communicated. This is an event in the history of this Mission which will not be readily forgotten, and we trust that the impressive manner in which the Bishop conducted the four Services, and the earnest words which he addressed to the congregations, will bring forth much fruit to the honour and praise of Almighty God.

STANSTEAD AND BEEBE PLAIN.

The festival of Christmas falling this year upon Monday, the Services of Sunday bore somewhat the stamp of festal joy.

On Sunday morning there was a Celebration of Holy Communion in Christ Church at 8 o'clock. Mattins were said at 11 o'clock with a sermon by the Rector. At All Saints' Church, Beebe Plain, Morning Service was conducted by Mr. Bishop. In the afternoon Mr. Bishop conducted service in Libby's Mills School-House. The distinctive Christmas services commenced however with Evensong in All Saints' Church, which had been appropriately decorated for the festival. The service was conducted by Mr. Bishop and the sermon preached by

the Rector. At 11.30 Evensong was held in Christ Church. The Psalms were chanted and the *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis* sung to Bunnett's setting in A. After the third collect, the anthem "We have seen His star in the East," was beautifully rendered by the Choir. A few minutes after midnight, the Communion Office was commenced, which was fully Choral, the service used being that composed by Mr. A. Dorey. All the congregation remained throughout the service. A short address was delivered by the Rector. The Church looked beautiful in its festal dress. Across the entrance to the sanctuary was a temporary rood screen, at the back of the Altar was a temporary Reredos decorated with green foliage and everlasting flowers.

At 8.30 A.M. Holy Communion was celebrated in All Saints' Church.

At 11 o'clock Mattins were sung and another Celebration of Holy Communion held in Christ Church. The *Te Deum* was rendered to a setting by Blackburn, and the *Venite* and *Benedictus* to simple Anglican chants. A short address was delivered by the Rector.

The total number of communicants at Christ Church at the Christmas Celebrations was 41; at All Saints' Church 8.

The unpropitious weather, which hindered most of the Church people from the country districts from attending, was the only drawback to the success of the Christmas Services.

The thanks of all of the parishioners are due to Mr. Dorey for his kindness in conducting a practice of the choir, which helped much to make the musical parts of the Services a success.

On December 15, \$11 were added to the funds of the mission, the proceeds of a social entertainment at Griffin Corner, and on the 26th, the congregation at Libby's Mills presented Mr. Forsythe with a handsome fur robe for his sleigh—welcome signs that the services held at these stations are appreciated. On December 23, Mr. Elder kindly entertained the children of the Beebe Plain Sunday School, which has lately shown wonderful improvement, owing chiefly to the energy of the Lay Reader, Mr. E. E. Bishop.

Postscript.

Our Readers and especially the Clergy are earnestly requested to remember us and to send an account of any matters of general interest to the Rev. R. A. Parrock, Bishops-thorpe, Quebec, not later than the 27th instant.